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Circolo della Vela Sicilia



Yacht Club de Monaco

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- **The 10th Palermo-Montecarlo: competitor's registrations continue (36, at the moment), even to the regatta "For 2"**
- **Duvetica, Arja 45 ORCI's Italian Champion, Mario Girelli's Class 40 and the Miani's Advanced 66 Botta Dritta, join the competition**
- **80th Circolo della Vela Sicilia's Anniversary and 10th of the regatta: 2 online videos**

Registrations to ten-year-long edition Palermo-Montecarlo 2014 are proceeding fast. Starting from Mondello on Thursday 21st August, the regatta will finish with the Awards Ceremony at the Yacht Club de Monaco on Tuesday the 26th.

Last registrations, that led up to 36 the number of the competitors, are remarkably prestigious and increase the technical level of the regatta. One of the most highly awaited boat coming from Montecarlo is: the mini-maxi **Botta Dritta**, Advanced 66 owned by **Adalberto Miani**, 21 mt with flag of Yacht Club de Monaco.

Among the newcomers the **Duvetica's** Arja 45 stands out, the owner **Sergio Quirino Valente** and the skipper Daniele Augusti, twice Italian champion ORCI class 1-2 2013 and 2014, in the last championship sailed in Marina di Loano.

Another competitor to the Palermo-Montecarlo "per 2" is the **Patricia II's** Class 40, the owner Francesco Da Rios and the skipper **Mario Girelli**, another great traveller of this season (Roma per 1, record Carthago, Rolex Giraglia e Roma Giraglia).

Coming from Veneto **Massimo Juris's Blucolombre**, Beneteau 40.7 with high miles high-sea experience. From Fiumicino **Miliu III**, owned by **Andrea Pietrolucci** Mylius 14E55. From Canottieri Palermo **Wireless** arrives, **Ugo Salmieri's** Comet 45 Sport. Another important competitor is **Damacle, Roy Caramagno**, a J122 with several miles high-sea experience and it sails for the YC Marina di Cala del Sole (Licata).

Eventually even **Sagola Biotrading, Beppe Fornich** Grand Soleil 37, will sail with YC Favignana colours, leader of great challenges. Among others, his great victory at the Rolex Middle Sea Race 2013.

Registrations are 36 (the former record was 30!) but someone says there will be more boats and some last minute surprises.

80 YEARS OF SPORTS GALA, 10 YEARS IN VIDEO

On Saturday 26th July, during an evening with its partners, Circolo della Vela Sicilia celebrated its 80-year-anniversary from the launch of the sea location of Mondello, in the presence of Italo Balbo. To start the celebration of the 10-year-anniversary Palermo-Montecarlo, two episodes of the video-story of the last nine editions are online on the official website (www.palermo-montecarlo.it)

TROPHIES

To be won the **Angelo Randazzo Trophy**, never-ending challenge, in honour of the creator of the regatta and President of Circolo della Vela Sicilia from 1992 to 2008. It will be won by the winner yacht in compensatory time in the most copious category (ORC or IRC) and **Giuseppe Tasca d'Almerita Trophy**, in honour of Circolo della Vela's creator. It will be for the first in real time in Montecarlo finishing line.

SPONSORS AND PARTNERS

Historical sponsors are confirmed: **Luxottica** with the brand **Oakley**, **Optissimo**, **Intesa Sanpaolo** e **Tasca d'Almerita**, in addition to the new partner **Intermatica**, leader of the satellite communications. It will provide the Geomat system and its Web Tracking Solution, to follow the boats in real time during the regatta on the website www.geomat.it. Intermatica will provide to one of the boats taking part in, according to the organizing club, a next generation satellite system to send pictures on board (videos and photos) and to enrich media products to follow the regatta, even on the official website www.palermo-montecarlo.it, where you can find Regatta announcement, its course and its application forms. One section is dedicated to the 10-year-long history of the regatta, with its past edition evidences (photos and videos). The Media Partner **Saily.it** will take care of the video production.

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